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PLEIOTROPHIN

COMMUNICATION REGARDING CHANGE IN ENTITY STATUS

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It has been brought to the attention of Applicants' Representatives that large entity status is not appropriate in the above-identified patent, and in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.27(c) and (f), it is asserted that Applicant is a small entity and is, therefore, entitled to small entity status.

It is respectfully requested that the Office records be changed to indicate the status of Applicant as a small entity relating to payment of the maintenance fees.

Please contact Applicants' Representatives, at the below-listed telephone number, if there are any questions relating to this matter.

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